Council Workshop April 14, 2005

Mayor Marse called to order the Habitat for Humanity workshop of April 14, 2005.

Members Present: Mayor J.M. Marse, Council members Janice McLean, Earl King, Jean Arrant, Mike Helton and Ray Jackson were present. Also present: City Clerk Diane Riley.

Councilman Helton gave the invocation and the pledge of allegiance had already been recited during the special council meeting.

Executive director of Habitat for Humanity, Ronnie McBrayer presented the Council with a hand out and a power point presentation on the structure of the organization. The following items were requested by Habitat to the City:

- Adopt a resolution supporting the implementation of the Community Contribution Tax Credit Program.
- Consider the possibility of land donation or a land bank.
- Endorse a community Housing Trust Fund that would function on the local level as the Sadowski Act functions on the state level.
- Collaborate to leverage funding for infrastructure.

Council talked with the organization about the program and feels it is a wonderful thing to offer the residents in Freeport. Mr. Brayer was told to design a resolution for presentation at a regular Council meeting. The City is unable to offer monetary or donation of land to the organization, but is willing to support them as much as possible in other areas.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

ATTEST:	APPROVED:
	J.M. Marse, Mayor
Diane Riley, City Clerk	Janice McLean, President of Council